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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

David Schoenbrun came to see me a few days ago just after his talk with you. He gave me his impressions of de Gaulle's attitude toward always having available a French military force to meet the national requirements of France and of de Gaulle's lively recollection of the incident during the Battle of the Bulge in December, 1944 when he had resisted General Eisenhower's order for the evacuation of Strasbourg.

Schoenbrun told me he had not mentioned this to you. I thought the incident was sufficiently important to make it worthwhile for you to glance over pages 142-149 of the third volume of his Memoirs (attached) which describe this incident in some detail.

The fact that you are familiar with this particular background may be of use in your talks with the General.

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Allen W. Dulles
Director

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